

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE UNITED STATES
FOR THE MIDDLE DISTRICT OF ALABAMA
EASTERN DIVISION

RUSSELL DOUGLAS DEAN,)	
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Plaintiff,)	
)	
v.)	CIVIL ACTION NO. 3:07-CV-140-WKW
)	[WO]
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JAY JONES, et al.,)	
)	
Defendants.)	

RECOMMENDATION OF THE MAGISTRATE JUDGE

On February 16, 2007, Russell Douglas Dean ["Dean"], a county inmate, filed a complaint in which he challenges his confinement in the Lee County Detention Center and the conditions of such facility. At the beginning of this case, Dean sought leave to proceed *in forma pauperis*. *Application to Proceed Without Prepayment of Fees - Court Doc. No. 2*. In support of this request, an authorized county official filed a certificate which provided the court with information necessary to determine the average monthly balance in Dean's prison account for the 6-month period immediately preceding the filing of this complaint and the average monthly deposits to plaintiff's account during the past six months.

Upon review of this financial information and pursuant to the provisions of 28 U.S.C. § 1915(b)(1)(A), the court determined that Dean owed an initial partial filing fee of \$12.25. *Order of February 22, 2007 - Court Doc. No. 3* at 1-2. In light of the foregoing, the court ordered Dean to pay \$12.25 as an initial partial filing fee. *Id.* at 2. This order specifically

informed Dean "**that it is his responsibility to submit the appropriate paperwork to the jail account clerk for transmission of his funds to this court for payment of the initial partial filing fee.**" *Id.* (emphasis in original). The order also "**advised [Dean] that if he is unable to procure the initial partial filing fee within the time allowed by this court he must inform the court of such inability and request an extension of time within which to file the fee.**" *Id.* at 3 (emphasis in original). Additionally, the court specifically cautioned Dean that failure to pay the requisite fee within the time allowed by the court would result in a Recommendation "that his case be dismissed and such dismissal will not be reconsidered unless exceptional circumstances exist." *Id.* Dean has not submitted payment of the initial partial filing fee nor has he advised the court of the need for an extension to file such fee as required by the orders entered in this case. The court therefore concludes that the instant cause of action should be dismissed.

CONCLUSION

Accordingly, it is the RECOMMENDATION of the Magistrate Judge that this case be dismissed without prejudice for failure of the plaintiff to pay the initial partial filing fee in accordance with the provisions of 28 U.S.C. § 1915(b)(1)(A) as ordered by this court.

It is further

ORDERED that on or before April 3, 2007 the parties may file objections to the Recommendation. Any objection must specifically identify the findings in the

Recommendation objected to. Frivolous, conclusive or general objections will not be considered by the District Court. The parties are advised that this Recommendation is not a final order of the court and, therefore, it is not appealable.

Failure to file written objections to the proposed findings in the Recommendation shall bar the party from a de novo determination by the District Court of issues covered in the report and shall bar the party from attacking on appeal factual findings in the report accepted or adopted by the District Court except upon grounds of plain error or manifest injustice. *Nettles v. Wainwright*, 677 F.2d 404 (5th Cir. 1982). *See Stein v. Reynolds Securities, Inc.*, 667 F.2d 33 (11th Cir. 1982). *See also Bonner v. City of Prichard*, 661 F.2d 1206 (11th Cir. 1981, en banc), adopting as binding precedent all decisions of the former Fifth Circuit issued prior to September 30, 1981.

Done this 21st day of March, 2007.

/s/Charles S. Coody
CHARLES S. COODY
CHIEF UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE